

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank the reviewer for the positive comments:

*The authors's present a thorough review of osteochondritis dissecans (OCD) of the capitellum in adolescent patients. The thoroughly discuss the epidemiology, etiology, pathology and natural history that is available through the literature. They also discuss clinical presentation and work up while discussing treatment options. The article was well researched and presents a good overview of the subject. Some considerations would be to discuss in the imaging section the addition of intra-articular gadolinium (arthrography) and how that factors into imaging techniques. At the end of their imaging, paragraph, they make the statement that "CT thus seems to be the best imagin technique to diagnose OCD and loose bodies". This is too strong of a statement as it is based on research from the authors they discuss but has yet to be published. This should be reworded. Otherwise, the manuscript is an excellent review on this rare topic.*

Based on the comments, we have added information on the use of intra-articular contrast in imaging elbow OCD (please see text page 6). Furthermore, we have reworded the original statement of CT being the best imaging technique (end of paragraph).

Yours sincerely,

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Answer to chief editor:

Dear Mr Ji,

Thank you for the message. According to your advice, we have corrected the word to „autograft“ and have rephrased „microfracturing of the subchondral bone“; please see page 8 (and this is further explained on page 9). Please find the new version of the paper attached.

We look forward to the publication.

Best regards,

Christiaan van Bergen